GERMAN FOOD SUPPLY AMPLE FOR LONG WAR

Minister of Agriculture Baron Von Schoriemer Says It Will Be Impossible to Starve Germany Out.

The War Lineup.

Russia—Germans threatening Warsaw from the north; Slav warships and aeroplanes save Sevastopol from attack by Turkish cruiser Breslau.

Germany—Kaiser down with pneumonia; his case serious.

France and Belgium—Artillery duels raging from North sea to the Lys, along the Aisne and in Argonne region; vigor of allies' offensive increasing.

Austria—Energy of Russian attack on Cracow diminished by German victory at Lodz.

England—Practical confirmation received of death of General Beyers, South African Boer rebel chieftain.

By Karl H. von Wiegand.

Berlin, Nov. 10.—(By courier to Rotterdam, thence by mail to New York)—Minister of Agriculture Baron von Schoriemer put to flight today the idea that Germany can be starved into submission by the allies.

With his fingers figuratively on the country's agricultural pulse, he went into much detail in his attempt to prove that it can feed its population and vast armies indefinitely without help from abroad.

"We can produce enough food at home," he insisted, "to feed every one for as long a period as the war may last, providing we continue to economize and to eliminate waste. Germany will not starve—no, nor half starve."

The baron admitted he was "not exactly an optimist on the food question," when the war first broke out. The first three months convinced him, however, that there was no danger of famine.

The supply of meat, he confessed, might not hold out as well as the supply of grain. Fowls and eggs, he added, might also become very scarce. Still, he said, even concerning such food, there was no occasion for alarm.

"Our animal census," he explained, "shows that less than a year ago there were 20,994,344 head of cattle in Germany; 5,520,837 head of sheep, 25,669,140 hogs, 3,548,384 goats and 3,226,640 horses. Before this supply is gone we will get no small addition through importation, despite all efforts to prevent it.

"We will have to replace tea, coffee and cocoa, however, with something else.

"We produce more sugar than we use. Wool and rubber supplies may run low and become scarce. Private individuals are not permitted to purchase automobile tires even now."

Investigation Into Truck Accident

Death of Russell Ward, Thirteen Years Old, Will Come Up for Hearing This Afternoon Before a Jury.

An inquisition into the death of Russell Ward, 13-year-old son of Mrs. Bessie Ward of 951 Garfield street, who was killed by an automobile truck at Williams avenue and Killingsworth street Monday night, will be held by the coroner this afternoon.

The boy was roller skating west on Killingsworth street when the heavy laden truck, bound for Vancouver, approached from the south on Williams avenue. Witnesses say the truck driver saw the lad when only a few feet away from him, and that an endeavor was made to turn the machine to the right to get around him.

The truck, skidding on a greased streetcar rail, struck the boy, knocking him down. The wheels passed over him, killing him instantly. The truck was stopped 26 feet after it passed over the body.

The driver of the truck was first to reach the boy. In a statement to Deputy District Attorney Robison, Skogseth said he was going about two miles an hour at the time, having slowed down for the streetcar intersection. His companion stated, however, the truck was moving 15 miles an hour. Skogseth has been driving a car for two years and has a chauffeur's license. The accident is believed to have been unavoidable, and police officers have stated that tragedies of a similar nature are bound to occur so long as youngsters are allowed to roller skate on the streets in the path of busy traffic.

Funeral of the boy will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from Dunning & McEntee's.

Burned Cattle in Spirit of Revenge

Sam Cox, Baker, After Two Days in Jail, Confesses Plot for Destruction of Bradbury Dairy Farm.

Baker, Or., Dec. 9.—Sam Cox, arrested on a charge of arson for alleged firing of the barn on the Bradbury dairy farm, in which 20 head of valuable cattle burned to death, has confessed the crime, saying he started the fire for revenge against Bradbury for discharging him last summer. Cox first denied all knowledge of the crime. After 48 hours in jail he weakened and confessed the whole plot to Sheriff Rand, in face of the knowledge that a term of from five to fifteen years is the penalty.

Cornell Professor Killed.

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 9.—Word was received that Dr. Carl W. Gross, head of Cornell university's German department, had been killed fighting with the kaiser's forces near Ypres.

Belgian Relief Ship Sails.

San Pedro, Cal., Dec. 9.—The Belgian relief ship Camino sailed for Rotterdam yesterday.

COUNTY JUDGES AND COMMISSIONERS OF STATE MEET TODAY

Entire Session Tomorrow to Be Devoted to Various Road Problems.

FREE LECTURE PLANNED

Special Train Will Leave Friday on Excursion for Purpose of Seeing Columbia Highway.

The fifth annual convention of the state association of county judges and commissioners opened today with nearly every county in the state represented. The morning session was taken up in preliminaries including registration and personal introductions.

The deck was swept clean for the business of the convention which will begin this afternoon with a formal address of welcome and other addresses covering the problems of county government.

In addition to the county judges and commissioners there are in attendance a number of road supervisors and surveyors. It is recognized that the road question is one of the most important and to this subject it is planned to devote the entire session tomorrow.

A feature of the convention will be the illustrated lecture on good roads and the location and construction of the Columbia highway by Samuel C. Lancaster at the Central library tonight.

Lecture Is Free.

The lecture is free to the public. Tomorrow's program includes a discussion of road development throughout Oregon by Frank Branch Riley and a paper on bridge and culvert construction by Engineer K. P. Billner, designer of the bridges on the Columbia highway.

Officers of the association will also be elected.

Friday there will be an excursion to view the Columbia highway. This will be made in a special train leaving Portland at 9 a. m. and returning at 5:45 p. m.

Today's registration follows:

Clatsop county, E. C. Judd, judge; Jackson county, W. C. Leever, commissioner; Linn county, D. B. McKnight, judge, T. J. Butler, J. D. Irvine and O. H. Russell, commissioners; Baker county, R. D. Carter, judge, W. J. Welsh, commissioner; Crook county, C. Springer, judge, J. F. Blanchard, commissioner; Yamhill county, Vine W. Pearce, judge, S. M. Calkins, commissioner; Umatilla county, J. W. Maloney, judge, H. M. Cockburn, H. A. Wakeman, commissioners, C. H. Martin, roadmaster; Columbia county, A. L. Clark, judge, B. J. Kneeland, commissioner; Josephine county, C. G. Gillett, judge, D. J. Lind, commissioner; Sherman county, Fred Kreuson, judge; Douglas county, R. A. Marsters, judge, B. T. Nichols, commissioner; Klamath county, E. B. Haney, engineer and roadmaster; Clackamas county, W. H. Mattoon, commissioner; Josephine county, R. M. Robinson, judge; Wasco, F. S. Gunning, judge, F. C. Clausen, R. D. Butler, commissioners; Coos county, John F. Hall, judge, G. J. Armstrong, commissioner, C. S. McCulloch, surveyor, C. E. Weekly, road supervisor, P. M. Hall Lewis, roadmaster; Morrow county, George A. Currin, commissioner; Benton county, W. H. Malone, judge, H. C. Herrin, George W. Smith, commissioners, W. C. Galloway, surveyor; Hood River county, Ed Hawkes, judge, J. Hannum, commissioner; Washington county, D. B. Reasoner, judge, C. A. Hanley, R. Matteson, John Nyberg, commissioners; Harney county, Grant Thompson, judge; Sherman county, A. J. Hall, commissioner; Multnomah county, Rufus C. Holman, W. L. Lightner, D. V. Hart, Philo Holbrook, commissioners.

Beginning tomorrow there will convene two other state associations, that of the county clerks and that of the county treasurers. Each will discuss matters pertaining to their respective offices.

Pheasants Make Striking Display

Exhibit Embraces Males and Females of Chinese, Golden, Reeves, Silver and Lady Amherst Varieties.

One of the most striking exhibits at the poultry show is that of domesticated pheasants shown by the Oregon Bird and Pheasant farm near Beaverton.

The exhibit embraces males and females of the Chinese, Golden, Reeves, Silver and Lady Amherst varieties. Resplendent in gaudy plumage, the cock pheasants fairly light up one corner of the great room in which the exhibition is being held.

The birds are on display for exhibition purposes only, and were not judged for awards, but they are attracting lots of attention as an example of what can be done in the domestication of wild game birds.

ACRE COST OF TUMALO EXTENSION IS ABOUT $40 INSTEAD OF $80

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neer, estimated that the Tumalo system could be enlarged to cover 10,500 acres in the second unit at a cost of $46.40 per additional acre.

None of the estimates reach anywhere near $80 an acre, as reported in the Washington dispatch.

If the water was diverted at Aubrey Falls, an expensive diversion dam would have to be built. If it was diverted at Laidlaw, a main canal would have to be constructed from Laidlaw to the Aubrey Falls dam site, and there is comparatively small difference in the estimated cost of the two systems.

Engineer Whistler also made estimates for the project on the basis of a smaller acreage. His estimates, under the plan of diverting the water at Aubrey falls, are as follows: 6600 acre project, $65.55 an acre; 11,000 acre project, $48.61 per acre; 15,630 acre project, without the Crane prairie storage, $39.09 per acre; 15,630 acre project, with the Crane prairie storage, $43.44

Laidlaw Division Estimate.

His estimates under the Laidlaw division plan are as follows: 6600 acre project, $68 per acre; 11,000 acre project, $45.70 per acre; 15,630 acre project, without the Crane Prairie storage, $37.03 per acre, and with the storage, $41.40 per acre.

The Crane Prairie storage is figured in as a possible need for increasing the flow of the stream from which the water would be taken.

Estimates of the cost of the project are contained in the official report made by the department of the interior, and is known as bulletin No. 2, Deschutes River Projects.

In estimating the cost of the project the reclamation engineers allow 25 per cent for overhead charges, such as engineering, administration and contingencies, while Project Engineer Laurgaard allowed only 15 per cent. The governor also points out that actual experience on the Tumalo project showed that the overhead expenses did not exceed 10 per cent.

The estimates, showing that the statements as to cost contained in the Washington dispatch referred to are false, are as follows:

John T. Whistler's Estimate.

Aubrey Falls diversion:	
Crane Prairie dam	$ 68,000
Aubrey Falls diversion dam	161,000
Canals, Aubrey Falls diversion dam to head of main laterals	239,000
Distribution laterals and drainage	211,000
Total	$679,000

Reclaiming 15,630 acres at a cost of $43.44 per acre.

Laidlaw Diversion.

Crane Prairie dam	$ 68,000
Laidlaw diversion weir	26,000
Main canal, Laidlaw to Aubrey Falls dam site	104,000
Main canal, Aubrey Falls dam site to head of main laterals	238,000
Distribution laterals and drainage	211,000
Total	$647,000

Reclaiming 15,630 acres at a cost of $41.40 per acre.

O. Laurgaard's Estimate.

Enlargement of Tumalo system:	
Land damages	$ 14,625
Feed canal	67,064
Bull Creek dam	15,111
Tumalo dam	37,140
Main canal	80,045
Main canal, lateral "A"	46,180
Main canal, Tumalo extension	79,437
Distributing system	84,000
Engineering, etc.	63,540
Total	$487,142

Reclaiming 10,500 acres at a cost of $46.40 per acre.

Indications of Prejudice.

Indication of the prejudice behind the Washington article is also shown in the statement that Governor West had ordered the state engineer to proceed with the construction of the Tumalo project without waiting to confer with the reclamation officials about cooperation.

The last legislature appropriated $450,000 for the completion of the first unit of the Tumalo project and placed the entire matter in the hands of the desert land board, which was directed to employ a project engineer, and in order to use the fund the project must have been completed in two years. There are five members of the desert land board.

State Rests Case Upon Confession

Attorney for Fred Tronson Will Put Up Defense Based on Plea of Temporary Insanity.

With the introduction of the confession made by Fred Tronson following his arrest on a charge of murdering Miss Emma Ullrich, a stenographer with whom he was infatuated, the state rested it case against Tronson in Circuit Judge McGinn's court at noon today. Tronson was examined during the noon hour by Dr. Grace Lyman, a psychologist from Stanford university, who will be the main witness for the defense this afternoon.

Attorney Dan Powers, who represents Tronson, said that the defense will be temporary insanity as the result of a weak mentality. Beside Dr. Lyman the defense will probably call Drs. S. E. Josephi and William House, who examined Tronson Saturday and found him sane, but poorly developed mentally.

The testimony of Mrs. Julia Smith, the girl's mother, and her stepfather, Carl Smith, was to the effect that they heard the shots and found the girl dying.

Detectives Swennes and Pat Moloney were called to testify to the finding of Tronson's hat and revolver and to his mental condition.

Miss Helen Von Cleff testified that she was on the car with Miss Ullrich as the girl was going home from work and that a few moments later she heard Tronson, whom she identified, ask a boy what the shooting was about.

CITY COUNCIL COMES NEAR TO REFUSING TO EXTEND SPAN LEASE

Bigelow at First Opposed the Emergency Measure Providing for Month's Rental.

RATE IN LETTER IS LOWER

Communication From County Commission to Club Said Company Willing to Take $1600 Monthly.

For a few moments during the discussion of the rental of the O-W. R. & N. bridge by the city council this morning, it looked as though the structure would be closed immediately and the county not allowed time for negotiations with the railroad companies to rent the structure. Commissioner Bigelow at first opposed an emergency clause to an ordinance authorizing the city to make an offer for the use of the bridge for another month. The contract expired at midnight last night. His opposition was on the ground that the city had closed its dealing with the railroad companies. Later he introduced a letter sent to the East Side Business Men's club by the county commissioners May 1, wherein a purported offer of the O-W. R. & N. company for the rental of the structure was made.

According to the letter, the company offered to rent the bridge at that time for $1600 a month to the county, provided it would caré for repairs, lights and salaries of employes, totaling $1567.87. Commissioner Bigelow stated that this would amount to $38,014 a year, while the company now proposed to rent the bridge for $48,000, plus taxes approximating $11,000 a year.

The letter stated that in addition the railroad company was to look to the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for rental, but Commissioner Bigelow stated that such a provision had no bearing on a contract existing between the city and the railroad company.

After his objections were withdrawn the ordinance was passed and the railroad company will be asked today to give an extension of time to midnight, January 8.

GONGS MUST BE INSTALLED

Apartment houses, hotels and rooming houses are to be equipped with fire gongs, to be used for notifying tenants in case of fire. Fire Marshal Jay Stevens started a campaign this morning to see that all such places are equipped with the gongs.

This provision is contained in the building code, but up to this time no concerted effort has been made to enforce it. Fire Marshal Stevens believes that all such gongs should be at least six inches in diameter, as they can be much better heard than smaller gongs. The gongs are to be placed in hallways and rung from a number of points throughout the buildings.

Dieck's Recall Expense Paid.

The city council this morning passed an ordinance authorizing the payment of Commissioner Dieck's recall campaign expenses. The bill totaled $263.

New Bids Will Be Sought.

Owing to errors in the bids for the construction of the East Eighty-second and Willow street sewer the council this morning, on recommendation of Commissioner Dieck, rejected all bids and new ones will be sought.

Fight for Continuing Contract Renewed

Renewed Campaign for North Jetty Authorized by the Trustees of the Chamber of Commerce.

The trustees of the Chamber of Commerce this morning authorized a renewed campaign to induce congress to place the construction of the north jetty on a continuing contract basis. Appeal will be made to secure the assignment of the dredge "Atlantic," now idle in the New York harbor, to work on the Columbia river bar, supplementing the dredger "Chinook." Renewed effort will be made to secure the location of a naval drydock in the harbor at the mouth of the river. As soon as funds are available the Chamber of Commerce will publish an adequate trade map of the Columbia basin.

Walter F. Burrell appeared before the trustees urging aggressive action along the lines indicated and the action was unanimous.

Court Puts Ban On Dynamite Blast

Order of Federal Judge Sent by Telephone to Save Time; Railroad Is Complainant.

Judge R. S. Bean issued a hurry-up order at noon today forbidding John Moskos, subcontractor on the Columbia highway, from setting off a dynamite blast near Goble at 1 p. m. Because personal service could not be made in time, he instructed that the order be telephoned and Deputy United States Marshal Becker passed on the word.

Moskos works under the Consolidated Contracts company, which recently was enjoined from setting off blasts along the track of the S., P. & S. railway except in such a way as would not damage railway property. Charles H. Carey, attorney for the company, appeared in court during the hearing of a damage suit and explained to Judge Bean that the blast would put the railroad out of business for an indefinite period and that in spite of agreements and warnings Moskos intended to fire it.

The railroad attorney, after securing the order, at once notified the sheriff of Columbia county to send a man to announce the decree of the court and two representatives of the contracting company started for the scene in a launch, but did not expect to get there in time.

After the order was served by telephone, a deputy marshal was instructed to serve the formal written order late this afternoon.

"Wets" Spent Money.

Salem, Or., Dec. 9.—The Oregon Brewers' & Wholesale Liquor Dealers' association spent $33,478.62 in the campaign to retain saloons in Oregon, according to a statement filed here. Salaries of speakers and field men caused the largest expense, $22,150.86 being required for that purpose.

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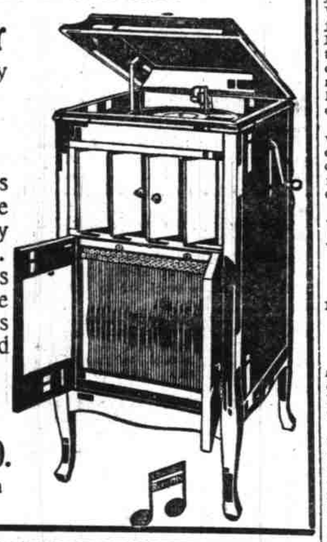

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